

ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

September 11, 2026



Dear Argonaut Families,

It's hard to believe the first month of school has come and gone! What a joy it has been to welcome new & returning families back to campus. As our students learn, grow, and build meaningful friendships, there is so much more to look forward to this coming school year. We are grateful you have chosen Archway North Phoenix for your child's education. **As we move into the heart of the school year, we are excited to launch our two annual campaigns:** Community Investment and the Arizona Public School Tax Credit Drive. Your Partnership Matters! As a tuition-free public charter school, public funding does not fully cover the cost of the exceptional classical education we provide. Your financial partnership helps bridge that gap and makes so much of what we love about our school possible.

Community Investment supports:

- Exceptional teachers and two teachers in every classroom
- Small class sizes
- Campus safety and security
- Fine arts integrated into our core curriculum
- Student services and intervention programs

Tax Credit contributions help provide:

- Two field trips for every class each year
- Affordable after-school clubs

To the families who have already set up their giving for this school year, THANK YOU! Your early commitment and continued partnership make a meaningful difference for our students and our school. If you haven't yet participated, now is the perfect time! Make a one-time or monthly Community Investment gift and designate your Arizona Public School Tax Credit to ANP. **Every Family. Every Gift. Make an Impact. A gift at any level makes a meaningful difference right here on our campus.**

Annual Campaign Launch Week | September 14–18

Throughout Launch Week, we'll celebrate the partnership that makes our school possible and highlight ways you can support our students through your time, talent, and treasure.

Special Spirit Day | Friday, September 18

Show your Argonaut pride by wearing your favorite spirit shirt!

Grade-Level Incentive: The grade level with the highest participation in Community Investment and Tax Credit will earn an extra recess with a sweet treat! Plus, we will hold a drawing & one lucky student will be selected as **Headmaster For the Day**, including a Headmaster Chat and lunch with Mr. Taylor and a friend.

💙 Share Your Story 💙

Why did your family choose Archway North Phoenix? We'd love to hear from you! **Share your story with Jackie Curtis, Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, along with an optional family photo.** Select stories may be featured on our social media as we celebrate the families who make our community special.

Thank you for choosing Archway North Phoenix and for partnering with us. Your support matters. Your partnership matters. Together, we make a difference for every Argonaut!

With gratitude,

Thomas Taylor
Headmaster

Jackie Curtis

Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer | proud parent & donor

Important Dates

Family Calendar
2026-27 School Year

Sept 14th - 18th
Annual Campaign
Kick-Off Week

Sept 18th
Special Spirit Shirt
Day

Sept 23rd
Half Day -
Noon Dismissal

Sept 24th
Picture Day

Office Hours

M/T/TH/F

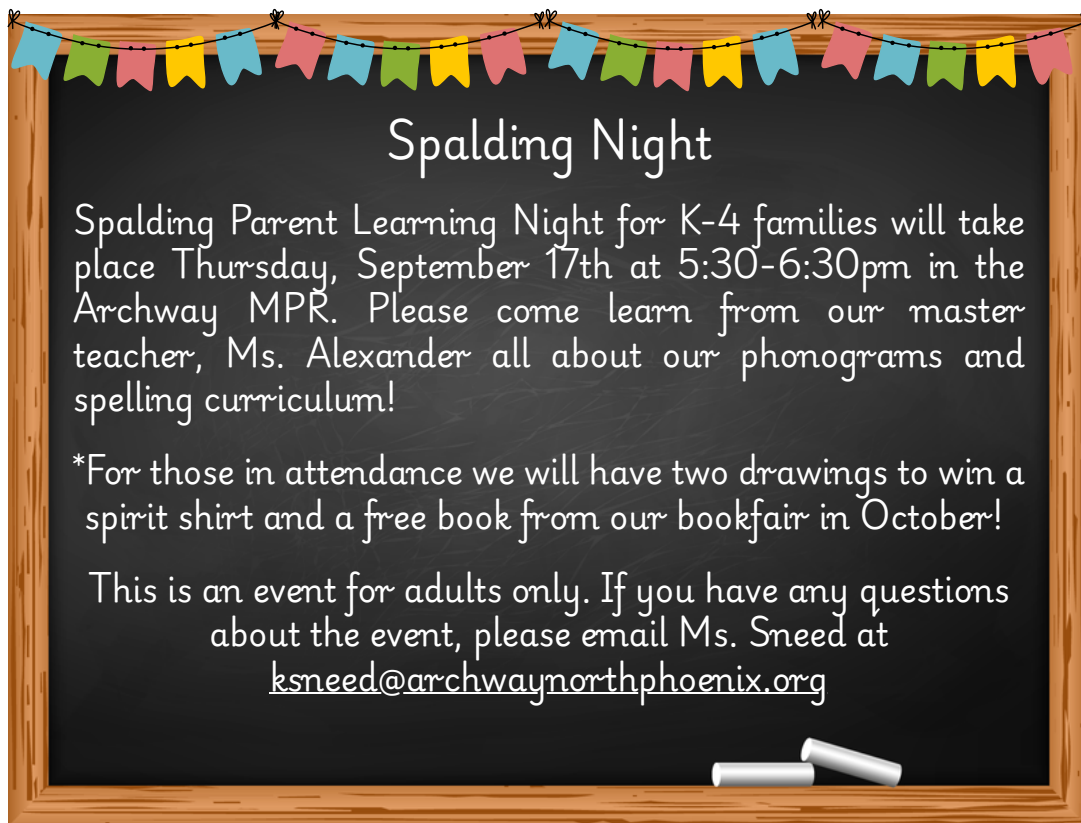
7:30AM - 3:30PM

Wednesday

7:30AM - 2:00PM

Join us on Social Media!





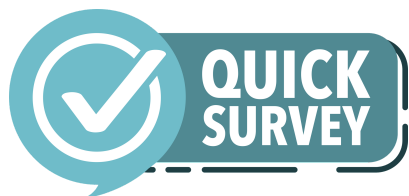
Health Office



THANK
YOU

Our health office would like to send out a special thank you to all the families who donated their time to help with the vision and hearing screening for our campus this week. Thank you Katie Severson, Roxana Harames, Nargis Alieva, LT Oliver, Ashley Beaudette, Oksana Harko, Lacey Nelson, Erica Oliphant, Magda Rizk, Rachel Bodine, Michelle Bogert, Bonnie Shroads, Krista Guenser, Brina Ziemann, & Robert Kepler.

We appreciate our school community!



Would your 2nd-5th grade scholar be interested in the ANP Garden Club in Q2? We are gauging interest for the Wednesday club from 1:30-3pm. Please fill out the survey below (this is not a commitment to sign-up).

[Survey Here](#)

Family Placard for Dismissal

If you still need to print your family placard for dismissal, please follow these directions:

1. Go to enrollment portal: greathearts.schoolaxis.com and log in to your account.
2. Scroll to bottom of home page and click on "pick up placards" box
3. **Print or Save digitally.** Every person picking up your student will need a copy of this placard. Walk up gate can take printed QR codes or images on your phone. **Please print out your QR code for drive line pick up! This helps make checking out students so much faster for our teachers coming by with the scanners and then once again closer to the door to help match kids to cars!** We recommend laminating them or using page protectors to keep them nice all year long.

ANP Picture Day!

September 24, 2026



Picture Day is Coming!



Picture Day is your student's chance to capture a timeless memory you'll treasure for years to come. Order packets will go home Monday 9/14. You may send those back to your homeroom teacher before picture day on the 24th. You may also order online following directions below:

Visit MyDorian.com, search for your school, and click the green **Order** button or yellow **Help** button associated with your picture day.

Pre-order today to avoid any additional fees. Online pre-ordering is available now and for up to two (2) days after picture day.

We look forward to capturing another year of unforgettable memories!

***Picture Day -
Volunteers Needed***

Picture Day is coming on Thursday, September 24th! Volunteers will receive a FREE picture package. [Picture Day Volunteer Sign-Up](#)



GREAT HEARTS NORTH PHOENIX PREPARATORY



CHEER CLINIC



DATE:

9/16/26

FROM 2-4 PM IN
THE ARCHWAY MPR



COST:

\$40

WHICH INCLUDES
PRACTICE, A CUSTOM
SHIRT AND A BOW



SPOTS ARE LIMITED!

THEY WILL LEARN A CHANT
AND A ROUTINE TO PERFORM
AT HALFTIME OF OUR
HOMECOMING GAME ON 9/18!

LINK TO REGISTER:



SCAN ME

★ WHO: K-5 STUDENTS ★

JOIN US AND CHEER ON OUR **GLADIATORS!**

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

Click the link to register or go to: <https://northphoenixprep.configio.com/>

Parent Service Organization

ANP Linktree!

Tired of looking through emails to find signups and event information? Check out our new Linktree! Bookmark it for easy access: [ANP Linktree](#)

Fun Shoe Day

This is a fun opportunity for your student to wear **athletic** shoes to school that are different from the regular uniform shoe regulations. **Shoes are prohibited from having any type of pop culture on them, as this is against school rules.** Students can bring \$1 to school on Friday, September 25th and give it to their teacher. All proceeds will support our PSO and their efforts with teacher luncheons.

Save the Date for our Family Bingo Night

Get Excited - The PSO is hosting a family bingo game night in the MPR Saturday, **September 19th from 5:30-7:30PM!** There will be dinner, prizes for bingo winners and raffle give aways! Cost per family is \$20.

Discounted tickets available for volunteers. [Sign up Here](#)

Upcoming Dine-Out

Our first dine-out of the year will be at Habit Burger at 40th St and Bell Rd on Wednesday, September 23rd from 4:00-9:00pm. **Use code GIVEBACK** when placing your order at the in-restaurant kiosk or present your flyer to the cashier upon ordering and Habit Burger will donate 20% of net sales to the PSO.

Yearbooks

Order your yearbook now to get the best price - \$37.26 for hardcover or \$30 for softcover! Get 10% off your purchase between now and October 31st.

-Go to [Treering](#) & enter the school's passcode: 1016219217202491

Volunteer Opportunities On AND Off Campus

- Do you have midweek flexibility and want to be on campus? Email the PSO at info@anppso.org with your schedule details and we will get back to you with opportunities!
- We are looking for several people with a Cricut or other Smart cutting machine to help make the hearts for the staff trees. We will provide the instructions, template, and the paper. [Sign Up Here](#)
- Consider donating food items to our forgotten lunch program. [Sign Up Here](#)

Save the Date - Trunk or Treat/Movie Night on Saturday, October 17th

Movie Night gets an upgrade this year! We will be doing a Trunk or Treat before the movie starts. We are looking for "trunk volunteers" to get creative with decorating their cars and passing out treats. This is a great opportunity for grandparents, etc to get involved. [Trunk or Treat Volunteer](#)

Field Day Sponsorship opportunity

Is your business interested in being a field day shirt sponsor? Cost of the sponsorship is \$450.

Email info@anppso.org and get your business seen while supporting our field day events!

Any questions for our PSO team can go to: info@anppso.org

Remember for all volunteering, you must be Raptor verified. Every year if you plan on volunteering on campus for any reason you must complete a raptor application.

[Raptor Link](#)

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW!



MORNING DROP-OFF Student drop-off is 7:40-8:00am



Please follow car line procedure for the safety of all staff and children. Pull into northern most campus entrance, off 32nd street. Traffic will flow all the way around the field and back to north side for drop off & pick-up. Please do not exit your car, faculty will assist those students who need help. Drop-off ends at 8am. **Students should be in their classrooms, seated, and ready to learn by 8am.** If arriving after 8am, parents will escort student into the front office to be signed in late.

DISMISSAL

Please be sure to have QR Code with students name clearly displayed

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: ARCHWAY use both lanes until 3:20pm, then must be in ARCHWAY only lanes so PREP traffic is not blocked.

Wednesday: ARCHWAY Traffic please do not enter campus until 1:20. If you have PREP/ARCHWAY Sibling pick up, do not enter campus until 1:30. Prep sibling pick up will still take place on the PREP side. **If you are coming across the crosswalk on the Prep side please follow the directions of the Prep teachers guiding the foot traffic across the crosswalk. Please use the crosswalk with the crossing guard only.**

Dismissal Times

M, T, TH, F

Archway 3:00PM

Prep 3:30PM

■ Archway

Wednesday

Archway 1:30PM

Prep 1:15PM

■ Prep



SEE MAP BELOW



Please Do Not Use the Elks Club Parking Lot unless you are an Elks member. Please Do Not Use the church parking lots. Please get in line and we will all get dismissed in a timely manner.



Argonaut Parent Community

Three things you can do to help us keep your students safe and our traffic flowing:

Please watch the traffic video - Link above

Read all communications coming home - from your students' teachers & the family newsletter

If you are bringing furry friends with you at drop off and pick-up, please have your pets secured in the car to prevent from jumping out and keeping our staff, scholars, and volunteers safe.

Please follow the rules and be patient - Especially the first two weeks of school, drop-off and pick up will take a long time while everyone learns and before all the after school clubs start. Please do not try to cheat the system and drop off at random curbs and in the neighborhood. Trust the process and follow directions.

Should you have any questions or concerns please reach out.

We are all in this together.

Let's Make it a Great Year Argonauts!



Drop Off / Pick Up Traffic Map

Archway: Must enter the school by heading south on 32nd street in order to turn right into the school. NO LEFT TURNS will be available.

Prep: Proceed south on 32nd street past the school to Thunderbird. Make a right onto Thunderbird and then a right onto 31st street. Take 31st street to Hearn Rd. Make a right and enter the school on the left. No stopping on Hearn.

All traffic must make a right when exiting the school.



SCHOOL GUIDELINES



ATTENDANCE

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to email the school before 8:00AM to report an absence. Students will be recorded as having an unexcused absence if no email is sent. Ten consecutive unexcused absence days will automatically result in the withdrawal of the student. Please read the [Parent Handbook](#) for more detailed information on our absence policy, or call the office if you have any questions.

To report an absence please email: attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org

TARDINESS

Students who arrive after 8am will be considered tardy. **If you arrive past the time the North lobby doors are closed, the parent/guardian must sign the student in at the front office.** Persistent tardiness is highly disruptive of instruction and undermines student morale. On the 5th occasion of an unexcused tardy in a quarter we notify the parents by a letter home. If the student continues to accumulate tardies, our Dean of Students will be in touch to discuss possible concerns. If problem persists parents will be required to come in person for a meeting with the leadership team to discuss a solution.

EARLY STUDENT PICK UP

Students that need to be picked up early for appointments must be picked up in the main office no later than 2:30pm on full days, 1:00pm on early release days, and 11:30 on half days. **We do not release students the last 1/2 hour of class.**

LATE PICK-UP

Please be prompt when picking up your students at dismissal time. Parents are granted a 30-minute window after dismissal. After that, parents will be charged \$1 for every minute each scholar is pick up late.

PLACARD FOR PICK UP

Placards with QR Code are required every day for every pick up. Parents are responsible to print this from their parent portal and provide these to any individuals you have designated to pick up your scholar.

STAFF COMMUNICATION

Because teachers need to have their attention on scholars during the school day, it is our policy to give our staff 24 business hours to respond to parent emails/concerns (e.g.: If you email a teacher on Friday afternoon they would have until Monday afternoon to respond). There are times when a staff member is absent, or may have missed an email in their spam folder. If you do not hear back from your scholar's teacher within 24 hours, please contact Mr. Taylor or the front office so we can expedite your concern.

HOMEWORK POLICY

While we believe in the practice of homework at ANP, we want our students to have balance in their home and family life. If it takes your scholar longer than the allotted time (see homework policy for times) to complete their work, contact the teacher via email or written note on the assignment. This will help guide the teacher in planning a lesson to re visit with the class or give your scholar individualized attention for mastery.

FORGOTTEN ITEMS POLICY

For the security of our students and faculty, the office staff cannot continuously leave the front desk to deliver forgotten lunches, water bottles, or homework and interrupt the classroom learning environment. DoorDash, Uber Eats, Grubhub, and similar delivery services are not permitted to deliver for students. Students are not allowed to re-enter the school after they have been picked up to retrieve forgotten books, lunchboxes, homework, etc. **Both of these policies are being put into place for the safety of students and also to increase the virtue of responsibility in our students.**

Grade Level Newsletters



Kindergarten Newsletter

KA Ms. Perez & Ms. Bechard

KB Ms. Prieto & Ms. Salman

KC Ms. Valenzuela & Ms. Mikesell

KD Ms. Sneed & Ms. Dugger

First Grade Newsletter

1A Ms. Mikesell & Ms. Ester

1B Ms. Layton & Ms. Mayhew

1C Ms. Leahy & Ms. Lund

1D Ms. Refermat & Ms. Derheim

Second Grade Newsletter

2A Ms. Herrier & Ms. Ostash

2B Ms. Alexander & Ms. Molina

2C Ms. Gianforte & Mr. Colucci

2D Ms. Gregg & Ms. Pavlik

Third Grade Newsletter

3A Ms. O'Neal & Mr. Ohre

3B Nash & Ms. Forsyth

3C Ms. Daab & Mr. Messana

3D Ms. Robbins & Mr. MacDonald

Fourth Grade Newsletter

4A Ms. Jones & Ms. Tibke

4B Mr. Mayhew & Ms. Villatoro

4C Ms. Johnson & Ms. Gardner

4D Ms. Nelson & Ms. GiGi

Fifth Grade Newsletter

5A Ms. Robb & Ms. Mills

5B Mr. Seeliger & Ms. Allan

5C Ms. Fayyad & Ms. Hall

5D Ms. Knopf & Ms. Higgins